

WHEREAS; according to the Emergency Medical Services for Children Innovation and Improvement Center, more than 30 million children receive emergency medical care each year; and

WHEREAS; recognizing that the needs of kids are different than the needs of adults in medical emergencies, the state of Wisconsin continuously strives to improve the quality of its emergency medical services (EMS) and trauma care systems to ensure that Wisconsinites of all ages experience the highest standards of emergency care; and

WHEREAS; communities across the state should be prepared for medical or traumatic emergencies involving children, which means ensuring that emergency medical personnel are properly trained, ambulances are sufficiently equipped, emergency departments and EMS agencies are pediatric-ready, and pediatric treatment protocols and procedures are well-defined; and

WHEREAS; Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC), an initiative of the Children's Health Alliance of Wisconsin, supports research and improvement science to drive the transformation of emergency care systems and relies on its established partnership within the EMS community, as well as multidisciplinary teams of healthcare providers across the emergency care continuum, to effectively meet the emergency care needs of critically ill and injured kids; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated advocates and organizations, including EMSC, the tens of thousands of prehospital and hospital-based practitioners and families it serves, and the professional organizations and federal agencies with which it partners, in raising awareness of the critical importance of delivering quality emergency medical care to children;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim May 24 2023 as

## **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN DAY**

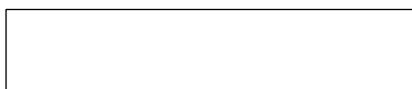
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State